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Pastides talks leadership with NCAA



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University President Harris Pastides hosted NCAA President Mark Emmert for his fifth annual President's Leadership Dialogue to talk leadership philosophies and the positive impact of sports on young leaders. The event was held on Thursday at

the Darla Moore School of Business. The two men discussed myriad topics, ranging from NCAA policies to the role of student-athletes on campus to the importance of diversity in leadership. They also addressed questions submitted by the audience.

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Dance Marathon

Strom Thurmond Fitness Center 10 a.m.-12 a.m.



Courtesy of Brittany Wilt



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Trump wins SC, Rubio scrapes second

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In a primary with a record number of ballots cast, businessman Donald

Trump has been declared the winner of the 2016 South Carolina Republican primary. Florida Sen. Marco Rubio came in

second in a close battle with Texas Sen. Ted Cruz.

Rubio jumped ahead of Cruz in the last polling

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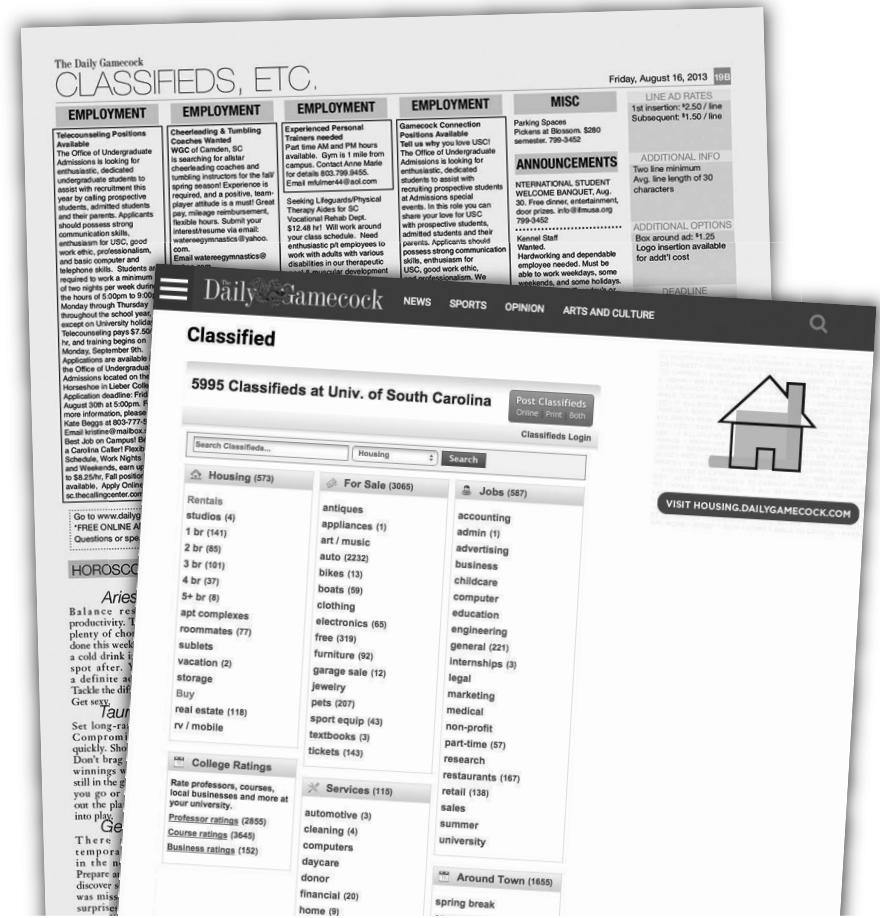
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DHEC reports some SC water systems show traces of lead

At least 24 communities in South Carolina have been tainted with lead above the federal safety limit over the past five years, The State reported. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control identified systems with unusually high lead levels all across the state, concentrated in areas around Columbia and Rock Hill. DHEC officials said that there are simple ways, such as letting cold water run for 30 seconds before use, to avoid lead exposure. Water official David Baize said the department is working to lower the lead levels in the water systems, and the tainted systems represent a very small portion of water systems in South Carolina.

— Compiled Emily Barber, News Editor

One dead, one missing after boat capsizes on Lake Marion

One man was killed and another has gone missing after their boat sank on Lake Marion on Saturday afternoon, WIS reported. According to the Department of Natural Resources, the two men were fishing when their boat capsized and they were forced to abandon it. Other boaters nearby were unable to get a life jacket to one of the men, who disappeared in the water. They attempted to revive the other man by CPR, but were unsuccessful. The DNR is continuing to search for the man who went missing.

— Compiled Emily Barber, News Editor

Four suspects arrested in fatal shooting of Easley teenager

Four people have been arrested in connection with a fatal shooting at a bowling alley in Easley, South Carolina, Wednesday night, FOX Carolina reported. Kejuan Mitchell Brown, 17, was killed by a gunshot wound to the chest around 9 p.m. at Tri-City Lanes Bowling Alley. Police located the suspects at a nearby gas station after receiving a description of their vehicle. Four male suspects, three adults and one minor, were arrested and charged with Brown's murder.

— Compiled Emily Barber, News Editor

NOTE: The ad that ran on Thurs., Feb. 18, 2016, incorrectly stated the deadline was Feb. 23. The correct deadline is Mon., Feb. 22, 2016. We regret this error.

Deadline to apply for USC Outstanding Senior Award

Monday, Feb. 22 @ 4 p.m.

{University Awards Day is April 21, 2016.}

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CRIME BLOTTER

The blotter comes from police reports released by the USC Division of Law Enforcement and Safety and doesn't include crimes reported by city or county law enforcement.

Feb. 14, police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance and met 22-year-old Vanika Thomas upon arrival. Several residents were still arguing loudly, and the suspect, 29-year-old Aaron Dicks, had already left. Thomas stated that Dicks was her boyfriend and that he had punched her, pulled her hair and hurt her wrist. She continued to yell while police questioned her and admitted to having broken the flower pot and glass that the officers had seen inside. Police arrested Thomas for disorderly conduct and provided her with a victim's form so she could fill out a report against Dicks. Officers did not observe any evidence of injuries on Thomas resulting from a recent assault.

— Compiled by Emily Barber, News Editor

Feb. 16, police responded to a call near Allen University, where the victim, a 20-year-old woman, told the responding officer that the suspect, Tyreek Blair, 20, had assaulted her. She said they began arguing outside Coconuts Caribbean Restaurant before they got into her car. When Blair began hitting the victim, she drove away from the restaurant and turned on the location on her phone so her friends knew where she was. The victim said that she was pulled over by the police on Harden Street, and they detained the suspect. The officer observed a swollen jar, cut lips, a black eye and scratches on the victim's neck. Both the victim and the suspect are students at Allen University.

— Compiled by Emily Barber, News Editor

Feb. 17, an officer was dispatched to an address on Barnwell Street in connection to a delayed assault report. The complainant, a 53-year-old man, stated that the problem began several weeks ago when his neighbor's dog attacked his service dog. The complainant said that he went to discuss the problem with his neighbor, but the encounter became violent. He said that his neighbor punched him, and then tackled and kicked him. The officer observed minor injuries on the complainant's head, and Richland County EMS transported him to Palmetto Baptist Hospital.

— Compiled by Emily Barber, News Editor



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average of the primary from RealClearPolitics by just 0.3 percent, coming off a big last-minute endorsement from SC Gov. Nikki Haley.

Former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush suspended his campaign for the Republican nomination following a disappointing finish in the South Carolina primary.

South Carolina has a tradition of picking the eventual Republican nominee in its primary, save for Newt Gingrich's 2012 victory. The Palmetto State is seen by many as the first primary state to give an accurate depiction of the national electorate because its demographics are more representative of the country than Iowa and New Hampshire.

Due to congressional district breakdowns, Trump will be awarded all 50 South Carolina delegates.

Elsewhere in the 2016

presidential race, former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton defeated Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders in the Nevada Democratic caucuses despite a late surge by the senator. The "First in the West" caucus is notoriously hard to predict due to a lack of quality polling, but a loss would have been a serious blow to the Clinton campaign coming out of a tough defeat in New Hampshire. Clinton was buoyed by the African-American vote, women and older Democrats.

Next up for the Republican side is the Nevada Republican caucus, to be held on Feb. 23. Trump holds a 22 point lead over Cruz in the most recent RealClearPolitics Nevada average. Democrats will head to South Carolina on Feb. 27. Clinton holds a 24.1 point lead over Sanders in the most recent RealClearPolitics South Carolina average.



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The event began with a short address from Emmert himself, in which he discussed his experiences in the administrative side of higher education and how he came to develop his own leadership philosophy.

“The realities of leadership to me are much, much more about the day-to-day acts of leadership that we all have opportunities to engage in and the development of the habits of leadership over a long period of time and often a lifetime,” Emmert said.

Pastides then joined Emmert on the stage to speak about many issues surrounding leadership within collegiate athletics and higher education in general.

Coming out of a year in which athletes at schools such as the University of Missouri served as key players in protests against institutional racism in colleges and universities, Emmert acknowledged the broad leadership responsibilities of student-athletes.

“It’s one of the principles that the NCAA leadership is always pressing

is student athletes to be engaged members of their campus community,” Emmert said, “that they feel both a responsibility and an opportunity to be engaged in the civil discourse in that campus and the broader community.”

Emmert also made clear his belief in the importance of diversity in leadership positions for multiple reasons.

“To [not have a diverse group] would be really stupid,” Emmert said. “By that, I simply mean that there’s X amount of people around to think for a moment that there’s only a very small portion of these that I’m going to draw strength from is absurd ... It’s just foolish to not take advantage of the talent that’s out there ... when you bring a diverse group of people together, and not just racially or in terms of gender but in terms of background ... you just bring more skill together.”

He used the example of the expansion of women in athletics as a prime example of the benefits of diversity.

Another topic was the struggle to create a balance between athletics,

well-being and academics for student-athletes.

“There’s a number of proposals floating around ... what everybody does want is to try and find a way where the student-athletes can take full advantage of all the opportunities that this great university and any other university has to offer,” Emmert said. “[Student-athletes] want to have access to internships, they want to maybe take a quick study abroad, they want to be able to do some of the things they know are going to set them up for success later ... but finding the exact way to do that is going to be very hard.”

When asked about how much time athletes should have to spend in college before advancing to professional leagues, especially the “one and done” rule in men’s basketball, Emmert explained that while he and the NCAA support more mandatory years in school, that decision is made by the professional leagues and their player unions.

“The rules about when a student or a young person ... can enter a professional sport and governed by

that professional sport,” Emmert said. “it has nothing to do with the NCAA or the universities ... We routinely express our displeasure with the one-and-done model.”

Following their dialogue, the pair responded to a series of questions submitted by audience members via email and notecards handed out at the event. One topic addressed was the issue of disciplinary actions imposed on teams that are frequently criticized as hurting athletes who had nothing to do with the violations rather than the actual perpetrators.

“We need a penalty structure that doesn’t punish the innocent but punishes the guilty,” Emmert said. “One of the hardest things about that is that the committee and the association members want a deterrent that encourages the entire university to be vigilant ... and post-season bans are seen as one of the most effective things for doing that.”

Later in the evening, Emmert also attended the Gamecock women’s basketball match-up alongside Pastides.

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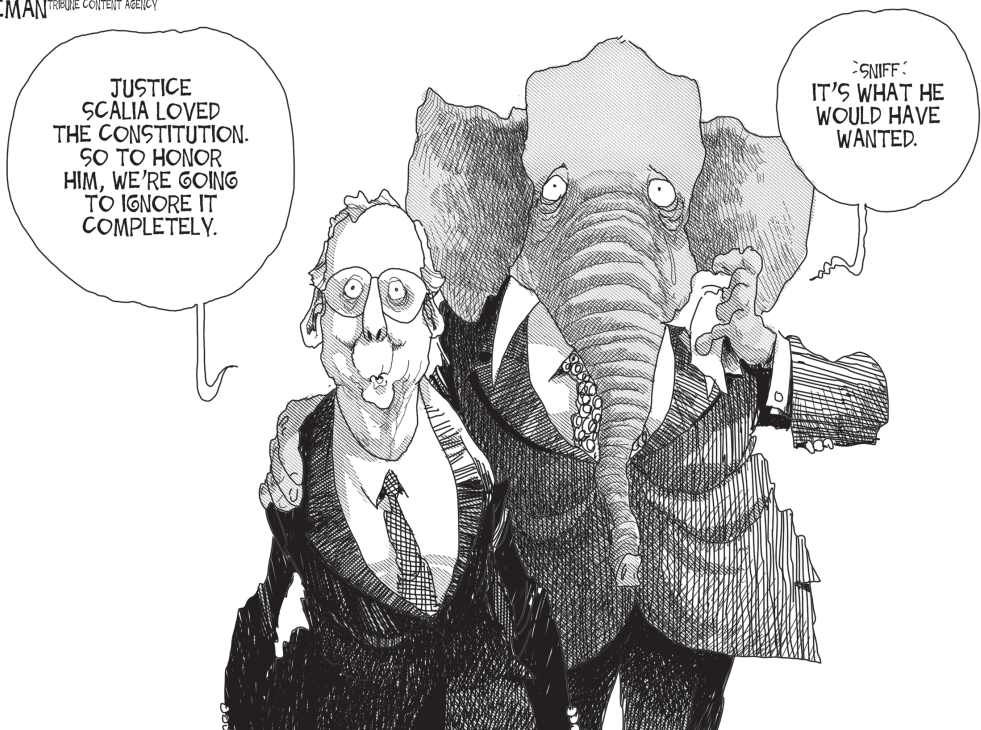
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True fiscal conservatives would cut military spending

All of the major Republican candidates left in the race at this point speak at great length about fiscal conservatism and cutting back on government spending. However, they neglect one of the largest sectors of government spending: the military. Currently, every major Republican candidate states that one of their major goals, if elected to office, is to rebuild our military by increasing both the size and the funding of the military. They give a variety of reasons, from the IS, to Russia, to Iran and China. Certainly, these countries do pose a threat in many regards, but the question we should be asking is if this lines up correctly with the candidates' fiscally conservative ideology.

Last year, the United States spent roughly \$560 billion on its military. This year, the projected defense budget will rise to \$585 billion. Compared to the rest of the world, we spend more on our military than any other nation. Now, some might say that this is not an accurate representation of military spending, as we have the capacity to outspend any other nation due to our GDP.

On that point, they would be correct. If adjusted to accurately represent the percentage of military spending as a portion of GDP, the United States comes in fourth, at 3.5 percent, with a projected fall to 3.1 percent in 2016. This still puts us well ahead of all of the competition — even though we spend less as a percentage of GDP, we still outspend in raw dollar amounts.

The Republican candidates seem to have a problem with the already staggering amount of money we spend to protect our country and project our power and influence throughout the world. As they see it, our inability to defeat unconventional forces or sufficiently threaten countries that go up against our vision for a free world is a sign that our military spending is to blame. The candidates apparently do not recognize the shifting reality of the increasingly complex and multi-polar world in which we now live. From their perspective, it is heresy to think of the United States as anything other than the world's police.

We must consider the cost of being the world's police,

however. The cost of war in both Iraq and Afghanistan was estimated at an astronomical \$1.6 trillion as of late 2014. A better measurement by Harvard's Kennedy School of this, combining "long-term medical care and disability compensation for service members, veterans and families, military replenishment and social and economic costs," estimated that the true cost would be much closer to 4 to 6 trillion dollars.

To help visualize that amount, it would pay for Bernie Sanders' plans for universal healthcare, free college, etc., with money to spare. Or 330 billion boxes of Twinkies through Amazon — whichever floats your boat.

There is, however, some truth to their argument. Many in the military have said that after the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, our force readiness is at "historically low levels." That is concerning, but not as much when you think about what should be — but isn't — the fiscally conservative response: to effectively spend the current budget or even cut it back. If the Republican candidates want to both increase the readiness of our military and substantially cut back on government spending, there are four things they should do.

The first is to stop pretending that we are the world's police. We shouldn't exacerbate complicated situations with a heavy-handed response. What we should have learned from our expeditions into Iraq and Afghanistan is that going in without a solid plan to leave is a recipe for disaster. Furthermore, we should seriously consider the implications on regional stability that we create when we engage in such actions. Iran wouldn't be in the position of regional power it is today if we hadn't disrupted the region in Iraq and Afghanistan, and we wouldn't have had the rise of the IS unless we invaded Iraq.

Secondly, we need our allies to start bearing some of the costs. NATO, the largest political and military alliance in the world, of which the U.S. is a part, has collaborated on a number of occasions, such as the Bosnian War and the War in Afghanistan. However, one of the major problems NATO has is not from an outside

aggressor, but from internal dissent.

The NATO member military spending requirement is 2 percent of a country's annual GDP. As of 2015, only five of the 28 countries in the alliance meet this goal, leaving much of the burden for defending NATO on the United States. With the threat of a rising Iran and China and the reemergence Russia, the United States is stretched thin on protecting its allies. If we want a fiscally conservative way of cutting costs and protecting our allies, making our allies pay their fair share would be a good place to start.

Finally, politicians will have to be more serious about combating wasted spending in the budget. For example, \$8.5 trillion allotted to the Pentagon by Congress since 1996 has been unaccounted for, tanks the army says it doesn't need have been bought, military bases have been kept open despite their lack of usefulness, no-bid military contracts have been granted and money wasted on rebuilding Afghanistan. This is just a fraction of how wasteful our military has become. Making the budget efficient, rather than just adding to the waste, would be a fantastic and conservative way to cut down on fiscal costs.

This is not the reality, however.

Instead of sticking to their fiscally conservative guns, the Republican candidates have offered nothing but throwing more money into the hole. If they were truly seeking to cut down on government spending, it would be prudent of them to address the massive issues our military faces when it comes to money. Rather than having too little like they insist, I would suggest that the military has more than enough, it just needs to be effective and thoughtful about how it spends it.

Let's dispel once and for all this fiction that the GOP candidates are fiscally conservative. If anything, what truly matters to them is spending more money in areas of the government that they like and less in those that don't line up with their ideology. Otherwise, they would actually tackle this problem head-on like the great leaders they claim to be.

— Dan Nelson, first-year public health student

Tim Cook is right



Linden Atelsek
Second-year psychology student

Since 9/11, our nation has been hyper-vigilant about our national security, and understandably so. We signed anti-terror legislation into law in a burst of protective patriotism, and for many years failed to consider the consequences.

Then Edward Snowden, in 2013, catapulted the issue of privacy back into the equation. We began to debate the USA Patriot Act, which had been swiftly and decisively passed and then renewed each year without thought. Our presidential candidates now bicker about, among other things, who truly stands on the side of the people: A man who respects the nation's privacy or one who defends it from attack.

Most recently, of course, Apple has found itself entangled in this very same struggle with the FBI over the contents of the iPhone of Syed Farook, one of the San Bernadino shooters. The nation is debating again: Donald Trump wants us to boycott Apple, while the CEO of Google has weighed in on Apple's side.

So, who's in the right here? When Apple is protecting my privacy by refusing to set the precedent of allowing the FBI a way around the keycode securing Farook's iPhone, and the FBI is trying to protect me against terrorist attacks, who truly has my best interests at heart?

Apple, although an unlikely champion, is, in this case, actually the one looking out

for the little guy. The truth is that the power of the federal government to invade our privacy is much vaster than I'd like it to be, even with the passage of the USA Freedom Act, which revised the powers given to the government under the USA Patriot Act. Millions of Americans are giving up some of our privacy for security.

Farook, even if we don't want to admit it, was an American. This gives him rights, just like all the rest of us, like the right to privacy. Committing a crime, even one as viscerally repulsive as a mass shooting or a terrorist act, should not remove those rights from him. Moreover, if the FBI wins this fight, his lack of rights is our lack of rights. As Tim Cook, Apple's CEO, has pointed out, the government has said that this technology might only be used once, but he and I both question whether we can trust them on that front.

45 million Americans own iPhones, myself among them. Now, I may have nothing to hide, and therefore nothing to fear, but that doesn't make me want to give up my personal information, photographs and conversations with loved ones. I bet most of those 45 million other iPhone users agree.

If we don't trust the government with our metadata, why should we trust them with some of the most private moments in our lives?

A key into a murderous terrorist's phone is a key into my phone, or to yours, and even if the battle is a losing one and Apple a somewhat hypocritical defender of the people, I appreciate that they are willing to fight to keep their users' information private.

Student elections model democracy



Griffin Hobson
Second-year marine science and economics student

Last week, Michael Parks was briefly slated for a runoff election for student body president before a slew of elections violations brought him down. While one of those violations is being appealed, I want to step back and look at the implications of the election and, more importantly, what it says about the nation's political system at large.

If the student body were a theoretical perfect democracy where everyone turned out to vote, knew everything about the candidates and acted in their individual best interests, Parks would have won, even without voter fraud.

Out of the other four candidates, Dennzon Winley campaigned on a list of issues that would help a fraction of students if they could be implemented, but the base wouldn't add up to a majority. Cory Alpert's appeals to marginalized groups and socioeconomic fairness has a low ceiling in appeal. Lee Goble's platform focuses primarily upon student representation and internal changes to SG.

Parks's platform, by contrast, had only one social justice plank, and the rest appeals to people who like concerts, football and living off campus. While Trey Byars attempted something similar in his platform, his promises are smaller in scale and more targeted to the minority of students living in university housing. In terms of platform

appeal, Parks would win in a perfect democracy. It probably wouldn't even be close.

The problem is he would win without bothering to reach out to groups whose struggles on campus expand beyond a lack of free concerts. It would be possible to win a majority of students with promises to marginally improve their experience while neglecting discriminatory housing policies, inadequate mental health care and an admissions system that leaves us with a student body far whiter than the state as a whole. In democracy, a narrow faction with deep needs will almost inevitably lose to a broader base with minor wants.

This plays out in ways far more relevant than Student Government elections. Forty years after the Civil Rights Act, the governor of South Carolina was re-elected on essentially racial lines and the media called it a public mandate. The former CEO of REI is now the cabinet member responsible for federal relations with Native Americans, and no one questions her qualifications. Requiring the churches of the majority religion to hand over sermons is an outrage, while monitoring mosques is common sense. In Houston, the minor discomfort of the general population quashed legal protection for one of the smallest and most vulnerable groups in America.

Maybe democracy is the least imperfect system of government. But we have to acknowledge, as a country, that democracy is rule by the majority and not the whole population. For marginalized minority groups, that's not always a good thing.

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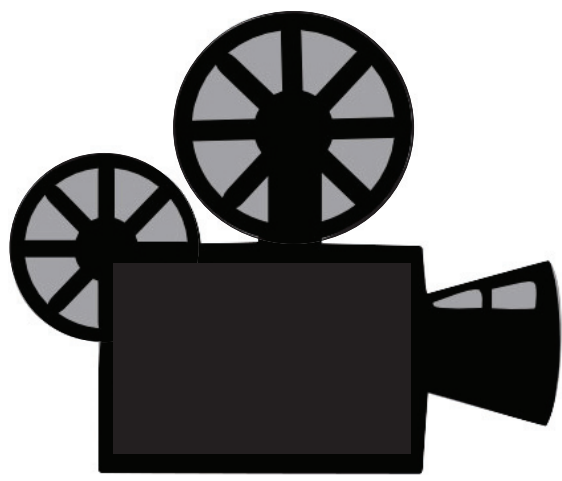


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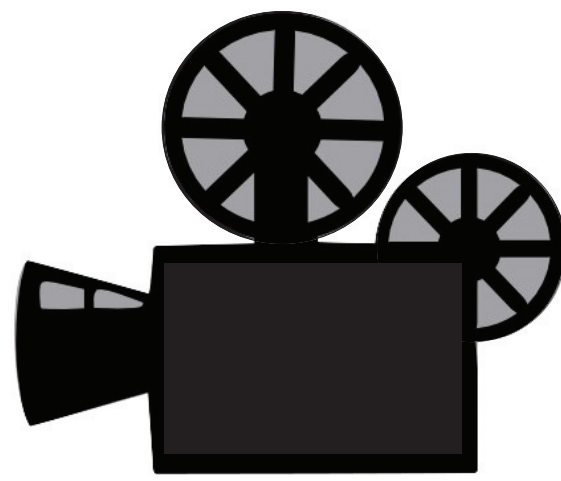
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“The Witch” terrifies with suspenseful buildup



Courtesy of Robert Eggers

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“The Witch”

Release Date: Feb. 19

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Many horror films rely on cheap jump-scares or grotesque scenes to scare viewers. While this works to create a gasp in the movie theater, the effect is not a lasting one. In director Robert Eggers’ debut film, “The Witch,” Eggers manages to create an unsettling and haunting experience that creates lasting effects without relying solely on shock value.

“The Witch” takes place in New England in 1630 as a family is asked to leave their village due to the father, William (Ralph Ineson of “Game of Thrones” and “Harry Potter”) and his radical Christian values. William, his wife Katherine (Kate Dickie from “Game of Thrones”) and their four children ride off with their belongings in a rickety wagon and eventually set up a house on the edge of the woods.

Shortly after arriving, however, strange occurrences revolving around the eldest daughter, Thomasin (Anya Taylor-Joy) begin to take place — starting with the disappearance of the family’s infant child right before her eyes. This is only the beginning of a string of unexplainable and horrific events that begin to create a rift between Thomasin and her family. As horrors continue to fall upon the family, the viewer sees them slowly fall apart as they try to stay right in the eyes of God.

“The Witch” puts most of its focus

on the psychology of the family rather than the evil forces plaguing them. This makes for a slow-building decent into madness that works because of strong performances from every character. Rather than the family immediately assigning blame and letting their religious fanaticism control them, the viewer watches the pieces slowly fall into place and build up, making every second more uneasy than the last.

Even though this film is full of exceptional acting performances, Taylor-Joy’s portrayal of Thomasin as a confused and stressed girl with the world pitted against her stands out. Often times Taylor-Joy manages to convey deep levels of emotion by simply staring into the camera. The viewer never knows how to feel about her character as she seamlessly adjusts from sympathetic to mysterious and back again.

The set design is another very strong aspect of “The Witch.” The characters’ bland and baggy clothes look very authentic to the time period while dim lighting and drab decorations set the melancholy tone of the film. Sound design is another big plus as Eggers uses tasteful restraint, leaving multiple scenes in complete silence so that when the shift into harsh violin comes, otherwise simple scenes become intense.

While the slow build-up horror style works for most of the movie, it does sometimes overstay its welcome. Watching the film establish its atmosphere can become tiresome at times, causing some sections of the film to feel like they are dragging. It is strange for a movie clocking in at just an hour and a half to feel as long and padded as “The Witch” does, and this is primarily due to its slow pace.

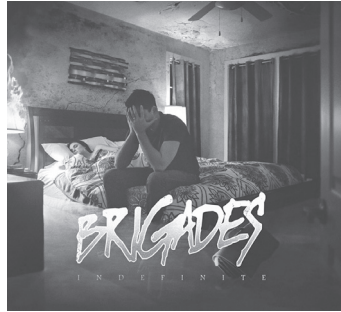
Pacing is a legitimate concern for the film no matter who the audience is, but other issues are more dependent on the person watching. Some viewers will likely struggle with the thick New England Puritan dialect that all of the characters speak. While this choice gives the film a level of authenticity, it can also detract from some people’s experience if they can’t understand what is being said. Additionally, die-hard fans of traditional horror movies might find “The Witch’s” brand of horror a bit dull and lifeless due to its focus on atmosphere rather than direct visual scares.

Overall, the film’s fresh take on the bloated and unoriginal horror genre leaves a more lasting impression than its pacing problems. While “The Witch” is certainly not for everyone, it offers an eerie and memorable ride for those who find themselves enthralled with its story.

Five new bands for the new year

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2015 was a good year for music, as many bands released break-out albums that put them on the map. 2016 is already shaping up to be another year full of cool new music and tours for several bands that are pushing their respective genres to exciting new limits. These five bands might have gone under your radar, but each of them are on the rise and are looking to have a busy year ahead of them.



Courtesy of Pure Noise Records

Brigades

Brigades is a local Columbia pop-punk band that have seen a great deal of success over the last two years; getting signed by Pure Noise records and touring around the country with bands like Every Time I Die and State Champs. Brigades puts a refreshing twist on the pop punk formula by mixing in a heavier guitar and vocal sound than most bands in the genre. Brigades has a six-song EP called

“Crocodile Tears” as well as a full length album called “Indefinite” under Pure Noise. Even as they find new fans around the country, Brigades still shows love for their hometown and often plays shows at the nearby New Brookland Tavern.

Song Recommendations: “Small Time Crooks,” “The Writing on the Wall,” “Enemy”



Courtesy of PVRIS

PVRIS

PVRIS, pronounced “Paris,” is a three-piece band from Lowell, Massachusetts whose genre is hard to exactly pinpoint and is gaining fans from a variety of music scenes. They released their first studio album, “White Noise,” in October of 2014 and have quickly risen in popularity, going from playing a smaller stage at Warped Tour to opening up for Bring Me the Horizon and Fall Out Boy in less than a year. PVRIS has a nice blend of guitar and heavy, hard-hitting electronics that contrast each other nicely.

PVRIS is rumored to be releasing their sophomore album sometime in 2016.

Song Recommendations: “My House,” “White Noise,” “Eyelids”

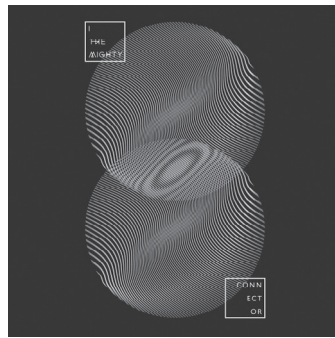


Courtesy of Hopeless Records

Enter Shikari

With four albums and more than 10 years as a band, Enter Shikari, a genre-defying electronic rock band from England, is incredibly well known in Europe but has always had a smaller American audience. Enter Shikari has an exciting and ever-evolving sound that combines guitar, electronic sounds, and a singer with an unyielding British accent for a result that is sometimes moving, sometimes hilarious, and always entertaining. Enter Shikari’s latest album, “The Mindsweep,” came out in January 2015 but the band is known to unexpectedly release non-album songs throughout the year. Whether you want a soft, emotional song about life or a politically charged, chaotic jam with guitar riffs and car horns, Enter Shikari has something for everyone.

Song Recommendations: “Anaesthetist,” “Gandhi Mate, Gandhi,” “Dear Future Historians”



Courtesy of Equal Vision Records

I the Mighty

First formed in 2007 by singer Brent Walsh and guitarist Ian Pedigo, I the Mighty has made a lot of progress in their career. I the Mighty is an alternative rock band based out of San Francisco, California and have had a number of recent milestones in their career, such as having Max Bemis from Say Anything feature in a song as well as getting added as a supporting act on a Coheed and Cambria tour. I the Mighty’s technical guitar sound takes inspiration from heavier metal bands while the vocals have more of a melodic style. In addition to having incredible range and power in his vocals, Walsh is also an impressive lyricist and many I the Mighty songs tell intriguing stories. The most notable of these are three songs which span across three albums and tell the story of a man and his lover being framed and hunted after for a crime they didn’t commit.

Song Recommendations:

“Playing Catch with .22,” “Speak To Me,” “The Frame I: Betrayal in the Watchtower”



Courtesy of Equal Vision Records

Polyphia

Getting their initial start from YouTube videos, this instrumental progressive rock band from Dallas, Texas has been showing up all over the progressive rock world. Polyphia’s happy, feel-good style that they put into their instrumental jams is addictive. It’s nearly impossible to hear one of their songs without tapping your foot, dancing around or generally feeling happy. Whether you are usually into instrumental music or not, you should check out this relatively new band and maybe catch them on one of their many tours planned for this year. Polyphia has announced that they are releasing a new album in 2016 to follow their 2014 record, “Muse.”

Song Recommendations: “Sweet Tea,” “Aviator,” “Champagne”

Dress like an ICON

Ryan Gosling



Courtesy of MCT Campus

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Women everywhere swoon over Hollywood heartthrob Ryan Gosling. However, if he dressed in Crocs and overalls on the daily, we might think twice. Though he's been spotted sporting a onesie with Ellen DeGeneres, his personal style utilizes classic pieces with a hip and modern twist.

Sweater / cardigan

Hey girl, know what this sweater's made out of? Boyfriend material. While some men have yet to jump on board the cozy sweater train, Gosling certainly has. The actor can often be seen wearing a printed sweater or fitted cardigan. They remind us of those cool winter days, snuggling up by the fire with a warm cup of coffee or cocoa in hand. While not the conventional epitome of masculinity, sweaters done right can show off your sophisticated and studious side.

Tailored, non-traditional suit

Black tie doesn't always have to be taken so literally. While other

stars step out in their boring black tuxes and suits time after time, Gosling mixes it up with blue, green or sometimes even garnet suits. But not so fast! This does not mean you should head straight for the nearest Party City to buy some disco getup. Gosling's suits are tailored to a tee in luxurious fabrics. So if you're aiming to pull off that purple polyester tux, use caution.

Timeless white T-shirt

Sometimes simplicity works wonders. You don't have to have a multi-million dollar paycheck to master Gosling's style. Rock a V or crew neck tee with your favorite pair of jeans and a leather belt for a classically cool look. It's comfortable and effortlessly suave. Additional tip: Make sure your tee is in a soft, lightweight fabric. Shirts like Gildan's heavy 100 percent cotton ones are acceptable to show off your high school sport's team or that charity event you helped out with, but they do not give off that same "I woke up like this" effect.

Lace-up boots

A pair of shoes can make or break an outfit. Again, although Crocs may have their purpose, they are not necessarily the best way to dress to impress. Gosling keeps it sophisticated with a polished pair of Oxfords on special occasions, but for a casual look, he tends to don his feet in worn-in, slightly edgier boots. They're the perfect compliment to his comfy cardigans for a youthful, put together look.

Stubble

Beards: You either love 'em or you hate 'em. Stubble, however, manages to please pro-beard and pro-clean-shaven people. While Gosling occasionally changes up his facial hair status, his most common look is a faint mustache with some rough, yet polished stubble. This look is not for everyone. If your facial hair often grows in patches, you may start to appear more like Tom Hanks in his early stages on the beach in "Cast Away." However, if you know you can grow that full beard, perhaps try keeping it simple with just a touch of stubble, a la Gosling.

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Taurus

Take time over the next two days for fun with family and friends. One game folds as another begins under this full moon. Reach a turning point in a romance, passion or creative endeavor.

Gemini

A turning point at home draws you in with this full moon. Domestic changes require adaptation. A new phase in family life dawns. Balance new work with old responsibilities. Renovate, remodel and tend your garden.

Cancer

Begin a new phase in communications, intellectual discovery, creative expression and travel with this full moon. Shift your research in a new direction. Start a new chapter.

Leo

Profitable new opportunities bloom under the full Virgo moon. A turning point arises in your income and finances. A busy phase has you raking in the dough, and it could also require extra expenses. Keep track.

Virgo

This full moon in your sign illuminates a new personal direction. Push your own boundaries and limitations. It could get exciting. Contemplate possible changes. As you gain strength, you also gain options.

Libra

This full moon shines on a spiritual fork in the road. Complete old projects, and begin a new phase. Love's a requirement, not an option. Enjoy peaceful contemplation. Make plans.

Scorpio

A new social phase sparks under this full moon. Doors close and open with friendships. Share appreciations. Talk about what you want for each other. Discuss possibilities.

Sagittarius

Reach a full moon turning point in your career. Shift focus toward your current passions. Expect a test. Begin a new professional phase. Hold off on launching a new endeavor. Investigate all possibilities.

Capricorn

The full moon reveals a new educational direction. Begin a new phase in an exploration. Wax philosophical as you experiment with new concepts. To really learn, visit the source. Plan your itinerary before flying off.

Aquarius

Consider the emotions involved before taking action. A full moon turning point develops in shared finances. Balance old responsibilities with new ones. The stakes could seem high. Work out the next phase together.


Pisces

A fork in the road appears. Begin a new phase in partnership with this full moon. It could get spicy. Compromise and work together for shared commitments. Be flexible and cooperate. You can work it out.

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The South Carolina women's basketball team is just three wins away from a perfect 16-0 in SEC play as they head into the last week of the regular season.

UofSC seeking SEC perfection

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Heading into the final week of regular season play, the South Carolina women's basketball team is 13-0 in conference play, having already defeated all of the SEC's top teams, three of which were in the top ten at the time. With Thursday's win over Georgia, the Gamecocks clinched the outright regular season title in the SEC, but with their final three games coming against the three worst teams in the conference, coach Dawn Staley's team is expected to achieve perfection.

This week's slate starts with a Monday night road game against the Alabama Crimson Tide. Alabama is 14-12 this season, but just 3-10 in the conference, good for 12th place. The Tide are led by Hannah Cook, who averages 12.8 points and 5.6 rebounds per game,

and her scoring has her 13th among all players in the conference. Alabama will look to shake off a rough stretch, having lost seven of their last eight, with the only win coming against Ole Miss, who has struggled this season as well.

South Carolina will travel to Oxford to take on Ole Miss on Thursday. The teams matched up in Colonial Life Arena on Jan. 28, when the Gamecocks topped the Rebels 81-62. Ole Miss has a star player of their own in Shandricka Sessom, who ranks sixth in the SEC with 15.8 points per game. Sessom carried the load for the Rebels in the first matchup of these two clubs, scoring a game-high 26 points and grabbing eight rebounds. Despite the talent of Sessom, the Gamecocks should have no trouble in Oxford, as Ole Miss is just 10-17 this season with only two wins in the conference.

Sunday, the Gamecocks will wrap up regular season play in Columbia against LSU. The Tigers have the second-worst record in the SEC at 9-18, but are fresh off a win over then-No. 24 Tennessee. The Tigers will look to spoil South Carolina's quest for conference perfection, just as Kentucky did in last year's regular season finale.

Facing the bottom three teams in the conference, South Carolina's odds at a 16-0 conference record appear pretty high. Having already locked up the top seed for March's SEC Tournament, Staley's squad only has Staley's squad only has pride to play for at this point, but expect the Gamecocks to be looking to make up for last season's lone loss in conference play by finishing strong this week.

Gamecocks sweep Carolina Classic

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The South Carolina softball team swept the Carolina Classic, taking down UNC Greensboro, Ohio, Longwood and Winthrop.

South Carolina crushed UNC Greensboro on Friday night 11-3 in five innings. The game started close with Gamecocks leading 4-3 after four, but the offense took off from there. Sophomore Tiara Duffy reached first to lead off the fifth, which was the beginning of the end for the Spartans.

The explosive seven-run fifth included three loaded-bases opportunities and three doubles. Junior Kaylea Snaer's double scored the lead runner and ended the game in a mercy rule.

Junior Nickie Blue got the win in Friday's contest, improving to 2-1 on the season.

The bats came alive again for the Gamecocks on Saturday, destroying Ohio 8-0 in six innings.

Saturday's contest got off to a slow start — scoreless until the third. Senior Alaynie Page got the offense rolling with a two-run blast, the first of

what would be four home runs for the Gamecocks on the day. Freshman Kennedy Clark hit two home runs, and senior Ansley Ard hit a solo shot in the fourth.

Two singles in the sixth scored the final two runs to give the Gamecocks another victory ending in a mercy rule.

Junior Jessica Elliott improved to 4-0 on the season with Saturday's win, where she went five shutout innings.

Clark and Blue both had strong performances in Sunday's first game against Longwood. A shutout from Blue and two RBIs from Clark led the way to defeating Longwood 2-0.

South Carolina got on the board early with Clark's single scoring freshman Kenzi Maguire in the first. Her second RBI came in the fifth after good base running by Page.

Blue got out of some tough jams, surrendering eight hits and striking out six on the way to her first shutout of the season.

The Gamecocks wrapped up the tournament Sunday

afternoon against Winthrop. They got off to another quick start with back-to-back doubles to bring in the first three runs. Sophomore Krystan White came in clutch with a three-run homer to give the Gamecocks a quick 6-0 lead after one.

The only offense from the Eagles came from wild pitches. Winthrop's K.J. Uyeno advanced to third after a walk and two wild pitches. Then Blake Wallert walked, and a wild pitch scored Uyeno.

The Gamecocks still had a comfortable lead, and went into the sixth to finish it off. Sophomore Taylor Williams scored on a line out, then White's single scoring Duffy ended the game. South Carolina capped off the successful weekend with a six inning 9-1 win.

After the sweep, the Gamecocks improve to 7-1 on the season. They will stay in Columbia to play Coastal Carolina on Tuesday before traveling to Santa Barbara, California, for the Gaucha Classic over the weekend.



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Offense comes alive, Gamecocks sweep season-opening series



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Standout performances at the plate from Dom Thompson-Williams and John Jones led the Gamecocks in three dominant wins over the Albany Great Danes.

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Gamecock baseball opened the 2016 season 3-0 with a sweep of the Albany Great Danes, largely thanks to promising performances from the team's young roster.

Junior Dom Thompson-Williams, who helped lead Iowa Western to back-to-back NJCAA World

Series appearances, made the difference in his first performance for Carolina. Thompson-Williams went 3-for-4 with a home run to secure a 10-1 victory in the season and series opener.

Head coach Chad Holbrook was satisfied with the team's opening performance in his post-game press conference on Friday.

"I'm pleased with

the way we played on opening day," Holbrook said. "They were full of togetherness. They were anxious for this day and couldn't wait for it to get here," he said.

Sophomore John Jones, another JUCO transfer out of State College of Florida, has his first homer in a Gamecock uniform and three RBIs as part of a 3-for-4 performance in Saturday's 6-2 win.

Jones was also a hot hitter in Sunday's 8-1 victory, finishing the weekend 6-for-10 with nine RBIs.

Carolina went to the bullpen three times in both Friday and Saturday's match-ups and five times during Sunday's outing. Sophomore Clarke Schmidt went for six innings and got the win in Friday's opener. Freshman Braden

Webb got the win in five innings in his first appearance for the Gamecocks on Saturday, and junior Josh Reagan was awarded the save. Junior Taylor Widener went five innings as the starter in Sunday's game, but relief pitcher junior Colie Bowers was awarded the win.

It was relatively clean series for the Gamecocks in the field with just two errors on

the weekend, both of which came in Sunday's matchup.

Up next for the 17th-ranked Gamecocks is a pair of one game home series against Appalachian State on Tuesday and Winthrop on Wednesday. First pitch is set for 4 p.m. for both games. The team will then prepare for a three game weekend series against Penn State.

Questions surround spring practice



Courtesy of MCT Campus

Coach Will Muschamp and the football team will look to flip the script after a 3-9 record in 2015.

Q&A

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1. Who's playing quarterback?

Three quarterbacks with significant playing time return to South Carolina in 2016, but new co-offensive coordinators Kurt Roper and Brian McClendon likely won't be judging a three-horse race.

Expect early arrival Brandon Mellwain to push for playing time. A two-sport star and the nation's second-ranked dual-threat quarterback out of high school, this freshman could be on the field early and often.

If Mellwain struggles, returning starter Perry Orth is an option. The rising senior threw for 1,929 yards and 12 touchdowns in 2015, along with nine interceptions. Behind

Orth is Lorenzo Nunez, who's known for his ability to scramble.

Perhaps Connor Mitch could factor into the race, but Gamecocks' fans haven't heard much from him since a putrid performance in a loss to SEC Eastern Division rival Kentucky.

2. Who will replace Pharoah Cooper at wideout?

Cooper was Carolina's most valuable player on offense in both '14 and '15, totaling 2,109 yards in his final two seasons in garnet and black.

Unfortunately for South Carolina, Cooper will be walking greener pastures in the NFL next season, which leaves Muschamp and the Gamecocks questions at the position.

Answers could come from three places. Firstly, Deebo Samuel could contribute. Samuel finished strong in 2015, ending the day with a 5-catch, 104-yard performance against rival Clemson.

If Nunez doesn't find playing time at

quarterback, he could fit in Roper's system as a receiver. He's tall and athletic. From Muschamp's recruiting class, four-star Bryan Edwards could earn some playing time as well.

3. How improved will the defense be with the return of Skai Moore?

Muschamp and his staff of ace recruiters didn't only sign the 27th ranked recruiting class on short notice, but they also convinced veteran South Carolina linebacker Moore to stick around for one more year. Moore will be playing safety in 2016 in an attempt to boost his draft stock.

With the return of the 6-foot-2, 218-pound Moore, the Gamecocks add depth, experience and seasoned talent. Not only that, but he should be a leader for Carolina's defense, whether that's on the field or in the locker room.

Moore bolsters the defense significantly, but will defensive coordinator Travaris

Robinson be able to develop the rest? This question can only be answered with time.

4. Was Will Muschamp the right hire?

So far, so good. Muschamp stacked the Gamecocks' staff with football knowledge and recruiting expertise. Muschamp put the coaching staff in place, and the staff worked to scrape together a top-30 recruiting class in the span of two months.

We know Muschamp can recruit and coach defense, but it'll be a wait-and-see game to when it comes to the subject of Roper and offensive production. The ex-Florida coach will have to prove that he can win in the big, bad SEC on a second go-round.

The rebuilding task could be monumental, and the Muschamp question might not be answerable for the next two to three years. However, 2016's recruiting class lays a solid framework for the future.